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LAVENDER FIVE DOWNS CATHOLIC BY 58-25 COUNT

Holman Quintet Equals High
Score Record Made Against
St. Lawrence

TRUPIN IS HIGH SCORER

Entire Squad of Fifteen Men
See Action in
Fray

With a characteristic performance reminiscent of its early season form, the Lavender quintet thoroughly subdued Catholic University's team last Saturday evening before a small crowd by the overwhelming count of 58-25. The record for high scoring set against St. Lawrence this year was equaled by the local men, playing for the last time this year on the St. Nick court, as three full teams passed, shot, and maneuvered their way to a convincing triumph over the Cardinals.

Playing their first game since the Fordham debacle, the College team men struck their winning stride once more and revived hopes that some prestige may still be salvaged from this season by defeating N. Y. U. in the campaign finale on March 9. Sound basketball tactics were employed to set back the visitors, who exhibited a brand of ball far below the standard set by other crack Catholic U. quintets.

Liss Starts Scoring

From the time Captain Sam Liss sank the first field goal soon after the opening whistle until Charley Hochman's final foul just before the gun, the issue was never in doubt. The New York quintet far outplayed Catholic U. and really flashed one of the best games it has shown this winter.

As the team was equalling the scoring record, Milt Trupin came through with the year's most brilliant performance in tallying fifteen points against the Capitol City courtmen. Everything that Trupin sent at the basket seemingly found the cords for field goals while Spindell and DePhillips each broke into double figures for their share of the evening's work with ten points apiece.

Walsh Catholic Star

The individual ability of Joe Walsh, diminutive C. U. forward, was the only factor that prevented the contest from becoming an utter rout. Walsh sunk six field and four foul goals for a total of sixteen points and played a great floor game, although handicapped by the inexperience of his teammates.

For the first time in two months three full teams broke into the lineup, and each combination outplayed the opposition. Captain Liss, Trupin, DePhillips, Spindell, and Musicant started, followed by Weissman, Krugman, Liftin, Sandack and Kany midway in the second half, with finally Clancy, Paskowitz, Puleo, Hochman, and Gold taking the floor.

Following Liss' initial goal, Trupin went on a private rampage all of his own, caging nine points to give the College an early 11-3 lead. DePhillips found the basket with a toss from the floor and Art Musicant eluded the defense in highly artistic manner for two more baskets. Walsh

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Interclub Committee Meets Friday to Elect Officers

The Inter-club Committee will hold a meeting this Friday at 1:00 o'clock in Room 13. Important matters will be discussed and election of officers will take place. No meeting, no matter how small or large, can be held without the sanction of the I. C. C. "No club will be allowed to function after March 15 unless the Student Council Activity fee has been paid by each member of the club. After that is done a charter will be issued to the club," said Scheib, chairman of the committee.

Movietone Portrays Frosh-Soph Fight

Council to Award Banner to
Class Leading at the Close
of Semester

Frosh-Soph activities are commencing to hit their stride this term with the completion of two preliminary events, the snake dance and the snow fights, which were held during the preceding weeks. The soccer game, the first event in the course of competition that will count toward the awarding of the class banner, will be staged tomorrow at 12 M. at Jasper Oval.

Sylvan Elias '30, chairman of the Frosh-Soph committee declares that the banner which is supposed to be awarded to the class scoring highest in the various events in the course of competition, and which for the past years has been a fictitious prize, will be made a reality this semester. He urges, therefore, that the members of both classes compete spiritedly for its acquisition.

Photographing the two preliminary events were members of the photographing staffs of Fox Movietone, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, International News Reel, the New York Times, the Daily News, the New York American, the Daily Mirror, and the Graphic. Reproductions of the events have already appeared in all of these newspapers and will be screened within the coming week.

Among the various events that will be staged within the course of the term are the cane spree which is scheduled for next Thursday, the flag rush, and baseball game.

Lavender Grapplers Lose First Match of Season

After having won six consecutive matches, the College wrestling team met its superior and went down in defeat before the powerful Franklin and Marshall matmen last Thursday night at Lancaster, Pa., to the score of 25-0.

The College team lost every match and Nat Doscher, Lavender star, met defeat for the first time this season. Mac Barish, wrestling with the College team for the second time this season, was seriously injured. A careful examination after the match found that Barish had had his rib broken while defending the Lavender in the 148-pound class.

For the first time in two years the College matmen will wrestle at home this Friday night when they meet the M.I.T. wrestlers at the Hygiene building. Coach Cantor's charges, still suffering from the defeat on their trip to Pennsylvania, will have a hard time against the Massachusetts engineers.

UNION STUBS VALID FOR N. Y. U. GAME

Non-"U"-Ticket Holders En-
gaged in Activities
Banned

Contrary to popular belief, "U" ticket stubs can be used for redemption on tickets for the N. Y. U. basketball game. These tickets will not be on sale at the gate and those desirous of buying them can receive them from Professor Williamson in his office any day this week.

In addition to the basketball contest with N.Y.U., Union tickets will be good for the Franklin and Marshall swimming meet in March and the two wrestling matches, as well as the complete baseball schedule of home games. As in former years, the Mercury, Lavender, and Campus will be given to "U" ticket holders.

It has been announced by Louis C. Herzig, secretary of the Athletic Association, that the Executive Board of the A. A. passed a motion making eligible for participation in athletic activities only those students who are holders of Union tickets.

Three Hundred Sold
The "U" ticket sale to date has reached the three hundred mark, while over two hundred and fifty part-payment booklets have been sold.

The tickets this year are being sold in the same way as they were last year, full payment tickets are three dollars while part-payment ones are being sold in three installments of one dollar each.

The Dollar Sales Committee is composed of Irwin Smallbeck '31, chairman. Al Adels '31, Jack Briskman '30, Arnold Levy '32, Phil Zimet '32, Herman Bernholz '32, Eill Makler '30, Abe Raskin '31, George Scitwartz '32, and Fred Emanuel '32.

LECTURERS GIVE IMPRESSIONS OF RUSSIA IN SYMPOSIUM

Harvey Anderson and Dr. Kunitz, Both of Dewey Commission, Conduct Forum

Speaking interestingly and authoritatively upon the topic "Political and Cultural Aspects of Soviet Russia", Harvey Anderson, Director of the Harlem Y. M. C. A., and Dr. Joshua Kunitz, of the College, entertained an audience of over two hundred last Thursday. Professor Guthrie acted as chairman of the symposium which was held under the auspices of the Politics Club.

Mr. Anderson has lived in Russia for nine years, going there soon after his graduation from college on a commission as a student delegate. He recently returned from a trip as member of the Dewey Commission. He met Dr. Kunitz, instructor in Russian Literature at the Evening Session of the College, in Russia where the latter, also, was serving as a member of the Dewey Commission.

"The officials are friendly to Americans", began Mr. Anderson in outlining the favorable impressions he had carried away from Russia. "Russia is making tremendous efforts to eliminate illiteracy", he added as another observation. In his discussion of athletics he claimed that Russians are applying scientific research to physical education with the result that there is a tendency towards militarism. "Sport for sport's sake" is a new discovery in

Warm Winds Blowing Across Stadium Bring Poignant Urge for Baseball

By MORRIS GREENFELD

If winter comes, can spring and baseball be far behind? What with winter sports activities drawing to a close on St. Nicholas Heights, America's national past-time comes to the fore once again.

With practically an all veteran squad on hand, the baseball outlook presents a more rosy view to Coach Parker than ever before. Only Captain Curry Dono will be missing from last year's nine.

Following his usual custom the Lavender mentor utilized a program of weekly lectures. At these lectures fundamentals of the game were pointed out. Frosh and varsity ball candidates were required to attend all sessions.

Hurlers Practice Daily
Battery candidates have been limbering up in the Colonnade for the past two weeks, taking the kinks out of their arms.

Just as soon as the weather permits and the Stadium is put into order, the entire squad will take to the diamond. In the event that the Stadium will not be ready for use in the nearest future, Coach Parker will have his men take to the field on Jasper Oval.

The Lavender nine will present its strongest strength in the battery, which will be represented by all of last year's regular players, in addition to several promising newcomers.

Artie Musicant, first string southpaw of the '28 team has reported for practice this week, and will start intensive practice at the close of the New York University basketball game which concludes the current campaign. Big Ben Puleo also of the basketball five will start mound practice at the same time.

Hal Malter and Dave Bracker who saw service on the slab last year, are again out for the team as are Irv Tenzer, regular frosh pitcher last year, and Zacker, who held down the cub pitching assignment two years ago.

Scotty Kaplan, and Babe Timiansky who were on the receiving end last year are back for service again. They will be augmented by George Clemons and Wallie Schwartz, former frosh outfielder and infielder, respectively.

Of the '28 infield, only Captain Dono, who held down the hot corner, is missing. Captain McMahon, third, Bernie Blum, second, and Dave Futerman, first, should hold down their bags again. Frankie De Phillips, flashy fielding short stop of the frosh team seems the best bet to round out the infield, with the choice that he may cover his former position, while Captain McMahon is switched

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POLO SEXTET TRIMS N. Y. U.; MERMEN LOSE

Violet Takes Relay to Win
35-27 — Lavender Wins
Polo Game 35-3

Continuing a losing streak begun with the Navy meet, the Lavender lost to N. Y. U. on Friday night last when Meyers nosed out Gretsch in the relay to score a 37-25 victory for the Violet. The College easily won the water-polo game 35-3.

Kelly of the College and Captain Barere of N. Y. U. staged the best battle of the evening when they raced the entire 440 yards neck and neck, with Barere just winning out by the proverbial hair's breadth. Gretsch and Steffen scored the only firsts for the College in the 50 and the dive respectively.

Karachefsky Second in Breaststroke
Captain Karachefsky was forced to play second fiddle to Nisselson in the breast-stroke, as was Gartner in the back. Meyers, of the Violet, who finished a close second to Gretsch in the 50 took the 100 with Herman of the College not far behind.

With the score 29 to 25, and the Violet leading, the meet rested on the relay. Once again, former captain Young, disregarding his doctor's orders donned a suit in an effort to bring victory to the Lavender.

Young swam and came back with a lead which Rabinowitz, swimming in place of Steffen, lost because of a poor turn; Herman was unable to gain; Gretsch swam a good race but found the lead too great and was unable to do better than close it by a few feet.

The second team started the polo game and for five minutes held N. Y. U. scoreless while they scored one goal. Following the regular team's entrance, with the exception of Gretsch, the game turned into a riot. The College only scored two more goals but played with marked ease.

Gretsch scored twice, Sobel once, Selzer once, Nolan once and Massler once in the second brief while the Violet managed to score but one thrown goal. Kraus continued his sterling play for the College.

Tonight the College mermen and polo team encounter Syracuse at Syracuse. Although the Lavender swimmers are not favored, the polo team is conceded a fine chance

CLASSES CHOOSE TERM OFFICERS IN REELECTIONS

Inefficient Supervision Nullifies Results of First Election,
Held Last Wednesday

REELECTION RUN WELL

Frosh Elections Postponed
Until Tomorrow Morning
at Chapel

Because of inefficient management in the supervision of the class elections held last Wednesday, February 21 and the resulting invalidity of the returns, complete re-elections were conducted yesterday morning in the various classrooms. The results of the universal balloting as tallied by the elections committee have been issued as follows:

June '29

For president, Lou Sabloff with ninety-six votes and Sandy Rothbart with 114 are up for reelection this morning. For the Vice-presidency Bob Talsky and Mac Barish will appear on the second ballot.

Herb Brody gained the office of secretary by a majority of fifty-five votes over Hal Malter. For treasurer, Bert Epstein triumphed over Al Miller by a similar margin. Re-election will occur today to decide the office of Council representative between Louis N. Kaplan and Mac I. Reiskind; Henry Margolis was chosen athletic manager over his opponent, Fred Moskowitz.

Feb. '30.

Paul Feinstein, with a majority of forty tallies over his nearest rival, becomes president of the class. Eli Blaustein, Joseph Winkler, and Jack Edelman will all reappear for reelection today to determine the victor for the vice-presidency. As secretary Dave Roemer, amassing thirty excessive votes, defeated his only opponent Boris Marcus.

Al Weisfeld, Sol Chaser, and Herman Winkelman, all being unopposed attained the offices of Treasurer, Councillor, and Athletic Manager, respectively.

June '30

President, Herman C. Biegel; Vice-president, Bill Rubin; Secretary, Jimmy Lipsig; Treasurer, Harry Mazer; Athletic Manager, George Bartos.

February '31

Phil Delfin and Morris A. Herson are deadlocked for the presidency and the reelection to-day will determine the victor. Monte Massler, Seymour Glasser, Phil Chasin, and Fred Raucher, all opposed attained the offices of vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and athletic manager, respectively. By a majority of thirty votes Ben Nelson won over his two rivals.

June '31

President, Hy Miller; Vice-president, Sol Jankowitz; Secretary, Abe Rubin; Treasurer, Jack Prisman and Ted Harris up for re-election; Student Council Leo Bradspies; Athletic Manager, Abe Raskin.

Feb. '32

The Presidency of the class will be decided at the re-election between Mike Bass and Laurence Hirsch. Morris Spiritus was elected Vice-

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The Council Holds a New Election

CLASS elections were re-run yesterday. Today there is a strange hush over the matter. No ponderous letters wander into the office, suggesting out-of-the-way occurrences; no loud-mouthed candidates rush through the alcoves crying about their unfair defeat. For a change, everybody seems satisfied both with the results of the election and the manner in which it was run. And **The Campus** feels that there is good enough reason for this general satisfaction.

Yesterday's election was run well. Professors cooperated, with perhaps a strained expression, carefully carrying out the Council's new methods—counting the ballots marked in their room, sealing them in an envelope, and signing for them. The elections committee, enlarged as it was, went about its work honestly and efficiently. And since ballots were counted in the open and tallying done on a large blackboard in the view of all, there was no possibility of any irregularities occurring. The Student Council did make a good job of its second try at the election.

Credit is due the Council, not so much because of the success of this new election, but rather because a new election was run. Difficulties with class elections are not a new thing at the College. Each semester there are charges of unfairness; each semester some defeated candidates contest the election; and usually with some justice. Apathy on the part of the greater student body, little cooperation by the faculty in running the election, always make for irregularities. There are students who insist in voting more than once; others who will vote for a friend or frat brother in another class. The elections committee frequently forgets to visit several class rooms, and usually something goes wrong with the tallying. It was high time for the Council to take some action on the matter. Its decision to hold a complete re-ballot was surprising, but highly commend-

able; the new methods adopted are valuable.

The problem of class elections is by no means settled. As long as they remain the main interest of a group of "alcove politicians" there is little that can be done. And meanwhile, most students are completely uninterested in their class officials, voting merely as a matter of form. But there is value in the existence of an efficient voting system, and the Council has made the first step in establishing such. It must look upon class elections as one of the main problems it has to consider this semester.

Smokers for the Freshman

FOR some time it has been quite apparent to anyone who has given the least bit of thought to the matters that the freshman at City College is deprived of a goodly number of those elements making for the collegiate Utopia. He is neither being initiated in, acquainted with, nor orientated into undergraduate life, not to speak of the academic, with any definite, concerted plan; and consequently with little or no success.

To put the matter briefly, the neophyte is being accorded what in vulgar parlance is termed a "raw deal." Thereby, not only the freshman suffers, but the College as a whole. When the traditions, heritages and customs of an institution are not handed down from one generation to the next, they simply fall into desuetude. The effect, of course, is detrimental to the parties vitally concerned with cherishing and fostering these mores. In particular, the various student extra-curricular organizations are adversely affected: the publications, societies, athletic teams and political groups.

In taking cognizance of the existing state of affairs in regard to the freshman situation, **The Campus** recently proposed that there be a "definite attempt on the part of the upperclassmen to take the frosh in hand." Frosh Chapel, we felt, needed supplementary agencies in its work. To this end, **The Campus** now advances another step which may alleviate the present conditions. We suggest to the Student Council that it institute a series of "smokers" for the benefit of the freshman class.

What is needed is a more informal, less patterned method than Frosh Chapel of instructing and educating the yearling in matters of local history, sport and song. Something like the spirit attending the Y.M.C.A.'s semi-annual dinner to members of the entering class is essential. The proposed Frosh Smokers could achieve this. At such occasions, minus the trappings and regalia of ceremony, one could fill the underclassman with a knowledge, appreciation, and love of Alma Mater not to be attained under a more conventional setting—a more staid background. Leaders of student activities might speak to the gatherings in more or less impromptu fashion. A number of the younger faculty members can be counted upon to do their share. Music, cheering, pep rallies, would serve to knit the freshman group together in a spirit of camaraderie. A sympathetic relation between College and underclassman would thus arise.

The adoption of the Frosh Smoker calls for a play upon the herd impulse. Hand the freshman a smoke, a song, a sermon, a story; it may well be that these things will establish a more social community than has been seen on the campus in many a day. Stranger things have occurred.

Gargoyles

To him who lended me these blanks
 A salvo and a vote of thanks;
 To him who lended me a lead
 I nod in gratitude my head.—
 I nod in gratitude my head.—
 I always lack a minor piece
 Be it woman, pen or trouser crease,
 A circumstance that gives my eyes
 A constant look of mild surprise
 As when, on reaching school, I find
 I've left a finished strip behind.—
 Which is the case this very minute.
 And if you don't much care what's in it
 I'll dash the following impromptu;
 And if you do—why, sei verdammt, you!

At any rate I mean to rhyme
 The fragrant charms of vernal time.
 The best of couplets coo and chirrup
 When Spring's his foot upon the stirrup;
 My verses gallop, clap and clatter
 With rhythm full, and void of matter;
 And figures rich perfumed with langour
 Suffuse the enharmonic clangor:
 My latched sonnets peeping through
 A chalcid lily droops with dew—
 Et cetera. O honor bright,
 When Spring is on the wing, I write!
 I write of ladies (more or less)
 The liquid eye, the raven tress,
 The swelling bosom and succulent;
 Of ladies willing, ladies truculent,
 The wiles, the whims, the moods, the fancies....
 Spring's full of love and necromancies

For him who has the blessed knack,
 And hoity-toity he'll not lack
 For love or play whate'er the season

In metaphysics never delve you
 For metaphysicians land at Bellevue,
 And if you want to live, take pause
 Before you plumb the prime! cause.
 I've always sung the man pragmatic
 With sense, not bats, to fill his attic.
 Reverse the cues: I say the Attic
 Was beautiful—because pragmatic.
 And here I play a trumping card:
 Pragmatic was the Avon Bard.

Return. I knew a woman blonde
 Of whom I grew insanely fond.
 By several years she was my elder
 And years and circumstances compelled her
 To take a crack at Matrimony.
 In short, she wed my dearest crony,
 Amain I wept, my soul did grovel—
 But what a motif for a novel!
 So in the grief I joyed and lusted
 Until I was myself disgusted.
 Who's heather-bent on soul-revealing
 Will never feel an honest feeling.

Ah, gentlemen! like utter asses
 We brag and bray about the lasses.
 Albeit sometimes I'd like to clout 'em
 I'd never fill a strip without 'em.

Now, Muse, we pirouette and close.
 The rest I'd rather do in prose.
 Prolific, kid? and virtuoso?
 Don't have to tell me, kid: I know so!

By Hal Cammer '29, who has been honored with what Gov. Smith used to call the highest gift that it is in the power of the people to confer, we are admonished to restrict the scope of our destruction to academic subjects.

If the Student Council needed any destruction, we should proceed to destroy it, despite Cammer and the whole Cammer family; but the Council has been sufficiently destroyed by the gentleman on our left.

If the Council wishes to reestablish itself in the good graces of this department, it will appropriate \$400.00 to the Debating Council.

Twenty-two days; by the best Copernican calculation, to the Vernal Equinox.

EPICURUS

COLLEGIANA

Anent the perennial and constantly recurring rebellions against the honor system we find that these spasmodic protests are by no means confined to this country. The **Smith College Weekly** reports that an outburst against the system was launched by embattled students of the University of Nanking, China, during a civil service examination. The participants in the test reported with notes hidden in their hats, shoes and socks. Some even went so far as to bring textbooks concealed in their sleeves.

When the situation was grasped by students who had upheld the honor system general chaos ensued. Papers were snatched away; cries of "cheat" filled the air; and a free-for-all battle was waged in the classroom. The advent of police was necessary to quell the disturbance. On the following day the maintenance of the honor system was continued only after each entering student was carefully searched.

The eminent editor of the **Niagara Index** throws down the gauntlet to a protesting student body: "You can't expect this paper to report what you do—it would be a blank sheet. We are sick and tired of writing up athletic stories but we're resigned to the inevitable. Sports is about the only interest of the students, and that isn't news either."

Yearlings at Brown University are no longer compelled to wear frosh caps. The substitution of black ties for the onerous insignia was ordered by the authorities in charge because merchants were selling the headgear to newsboys. A newly-entered student at Citadel may well claim to have spent the best years of his life in the freshman class. During the past four years he has been a neophyte at ten different institutions.

Undergraduates at a Canadian university have inaugurated a novel and intensely popular winter sport reports the **Ohio State Lantern** of Columbus. The new form of competition is beer-drinking and its vogue has superseded all other sports at the northern institution. An elaborate code of conduct with rules to cover every contingency has been devised by enthusiastic participants.

The whole system is modeled after that in use at German universities. The contestants, each of whom has a second armed with wet towels, smelling salts and other requisite articles, meet at some public house or tavern. At one end of the duelling chamber a massive scoreboard is set up and as each quart is consumed by the rivals the prescribed number of points is credited to them on the board.

The sport has developed to such an extent that it is now listed as a regularly-contested intramural event. At present the championship is held by a sophomore in the Commerce College who managed to stow away fourteen quarts in six hours. The loser in the title event, who was unable to finish his thirteenth quart, had been the favorite in the betting so that his backers lost heavily.

It is no uncommon sight to see both victor and vanquished carried home exhausted at the conclusion of a bout. The local record of fourteen quarts is not expected to stand long since there are many students who are accustomed to drink as many as ten quarts in an evening and who could doubtless do much better in actual competition.

Abbey Printing Company Engaged As Official Printer of Microcosm

Plans have been formulated for the printing and engraving of the **Microcosm** which is expected to make its appearance during the first week of June. The **Abbey Printing Company**, Orange, N. J., will be the official printer of the annual. The engraving will be done by the **Canton Engraving Company**, Canton, Ohio.

The Alcove

I HAD IN MIND once a column on the after school occupations of City College men, those that pay, that is; but somehow I never got 'round to do the necessary investigating. This term, however, I procured a position (courtesy of Employment Bureau: Mr. A. L. Rose) with a business school as Solicitor, and after two weeks work the compensations for which were a pair of very tired feet and two pay checks which have come back twice already, it occurred to me that I had an odd job.

This past Christmas vacation I had such a job as a temporary clerk in the Post Office. I was on a parcel post delivery truck in the East Sixties and enriched my experience with thirty-two dollars in wages; a professional visit to the home of the newly elected Governor; free access to many high class apartment houses and private homes; free meals from the cooks in the latter after I learned that front doors yield no surplus revenue; and other things of a local color nature. The climax of my short career in the government service came on Christmas morning when I invaded the kitchen of a private residence on East 79th Street with definite intentions and came off with a sandwich consisting of a dainty roll and a leg of the family turkey.

While swapping employment notes with some friends I did come across other queer ones. Tommy B. works in a dress shop as bookkeeper, sign-painter, errand boy, porter, and, I think, model for small sizes in an emergency. Jack H. works, or used to until very recently, as a canvasser on straight commission—something like one hundred per cent. He sold subscriptions to three nationally known magazines for ninety-nine cents per year and for each sale got so many votes to his credit for the scholarship to Columbia, or was it Yale, Jack? Anyway he claimed it was a rather well paying job for one Saturday morning's work (in Brooklyn, at that) and offered to break me in.

Another fellow is a plumber's assistant in his spare time, and oddly enough he's never late or forgetful. Several listen in at Carnegie Hall and remember to "ush" or sell programs or scores sometimes. And still another checked coats at performances of "The Ladder" and a fortunately short-lived and noisy musical comedy.

But the prize position is held by a young man who works for the "Evening Graphic" as compositor of the rotogravure section. He, it seems, is the man who killed Rothstein—in the composograph picture; he was a shark in the sinking of the *Vestris*; and he was one of the seven who were recently murdered in Chicago—no, he was three of the seven!

Someone came up to bowl me out for criticizing the Dramatic Society. The trouble with the whole thing he said was the lack of an audience, or in other words, they could be the best, but attendance at their performances would not prove it. You fellows seem to be the cause of all the discouraging failures for the past four years by not showing up when they present a play.

So you've gotten me into a mess through no fault of my own; and I've had to apologize profusely for not noticing the obvious. I never once thought that lack of an audience ruined the presentations of our thespians—I never once thought that you were, and are still perhaps, just so many pikers!

Aubrey.

Cash and Medal Awards Offered to Art Students

A fifty dollar prize and a gold medal will be awarded at the end of this semester to the student doing the best work in art. All students in Art 22, 24, and 25 are eligible for this annual prize, according to an announcement by Prof. Schulman.

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THE PRIVATE LIFE OF CATHERINE THE GREAT OF RUSSIA. Translated from the French of the Princesse Lucien Murat by Garnett Saffery, Louis Carrier and Co. \$2.50.

PRINCESSE LUCIEN MURAT assumes the frame of mind that unfortunately not all the biographers of the great ever attain. The attitude in this biography of Catherine the Great of Russia is one that portrays Catherine as a human being, subject, to a more or lesser degree, to the travails besetting all humanity. Approached from this aspect it is of course true that Catherine's actions were, like those of other and humbler people, dictated by the conditions in which she lived. The first and most important of these conditions that shaped her nature was beyond all question the misery of her married life. Her husband was a wretched creature. Nature had made him mean, the smallpox had made him hideous, and his degraded habits made him loathsome. Living in the grossly animal court of the empress Elizabeth, bound to a husband whom she could not but despise and detest, surrounded by suitors, and entirely uninfluenced by religion, Catherine became and remained perfectly immoral in her sexual relations to men.

This sensual desire of hers is as versatile as that of Louis XV, the last monarch who dared, as she did, to live his life out unfettered by cramping conventions. Backed by the absolute power which was their basic principle, and furthered and countenanced by the prevailing manners of a century that specialized in the cult of the softer feelings and of gallantry, these sovereigns, despite many differences in character, resemble each other in more than one feature. In his younger days, Louis indulges in a frolic with the Mailly-Nesles sisters; Catherine takes her delight with the Orloff brothers. Neither keeps any reckoning of the illegitimate children. Later on come the reigns of Pompadour, minister in petticoat, and of Potemkin, general in dressing gown.

All of these relations the reader of Princesse Lucien Murat's account of the Private Life of Catherine the Great is forced to infer for himself from the maze of a half legendary tale. For there is obviously no complete authenticity or extreme logic of presentation in this work. Catherine's life story is truly material for romance and the author has indeed taken no severe pains here to draw the line between fiction and historical accuracy.

A President's Biography
ANDREW JACKSON. The Gentle Savage. By David Karsner. Published by Brentano's. \$3.50.

THE bibliography of Andrew Jackson is one of the most extensive that attaches to any American. In sifting the mountainous material about Jackson and his period David Karsner has sought out the residue that represents and speaks for the man. Yet up to the time of his nomination to the presidency, the biographer of Jackson finds nothing to record but military exploits in which his subject displayed perseverance, energy and skill of a very high order, and a succession of personal acts in which he showed himself ignorant, violent, perverse, quarrelsome, and astonishingly indiscreet.

The popularity that Jackson enjoyed with the people of the nation attests, nevertheless, to the picturesque quality of his character. By his generation Jackson was recognized as a man after their own heart. They liked him because he was vigorous, brusque, uncouth, relentless, straightforward, and open. When he had repaired to the Hermitage to rest, after an arduous career, the first memories that surged up within him were of his people. In a letter to President Van Buren he writes:

"The approbation I have received from the people everywhere on my return home on the close of my official life has been a source of much gratification to me. I have been met at every point by numerous democratic-republican friends, and many repenting whigs, with a hearty welcome and expressions of 'well done thou faithful servant.' This is truly the patriot's reward, the summit of my gratification, and will be my solace to my grave."

David Karsner has portrayed Jackson in all the glory of a two-sided nature—the gentle and the savage. That the author has not permitted the glamour of the latter trait to overshadow the beauty of the former is to be praised. For Jackson's defense of Peggy Eaton, and his inspiring relations with his wife, Rachel, have in them the more pacific and admirable quality that is not apparent in that side of Jackson's nature which is personified by the Indian fighter, the race track tout, the duellist, and the man whose parting regret on leaving office was that he had never had an opportunity to hang John C. Calhoun nor to shoot Henry Clay.

LOUIS N. KAPLAN.

The Novel and Novelists

THE TECHNIQUE OF THE NOVEL. By Carl H. Grabo. Charles Scribner's Sons. \$1.50.

THE MODERN ENGLISH NOVEL. By Wilbur L. Cross. Yale University Press. \$1.00.

IT IS unfair to embrace these two books so obviously disparate and dissimilar in purpose, in one review. Urbane but authoritative, Doctor Cross's book is a pleasant dissertation on the trends in the modern novel, trends both in substance and form. On the other hand Professor Grabo's book has the atmosphere of the workshop about it, there is an air of methodical measuring, planning and saving apart.

Doctor Cross's book comprises an address delivered before the American Academy of Arts and Letters. It traces the vicissitudes undergone by the English and American novel since Meredith and Stevenson. It is of necessity sketchy but reveals the author as a person of unusual erudition and taste.

Stevenson interested in pattern and technique rebelled against Scott and Dickens. George Moore found Thackeray too reticent. Swinerton considers Stevenson's style as "thin and imitative of bad novels. . . Silas Lapham, the Boston commercial adventurer has been hustled off the pavement by George F. Babbitt. . . Wells, Galsworthy, and Bennett, Rebecca West affectionately calls 'the uncles.'" Professor Cross concludes with the remark: "Like all the rest, the novelists who are called moderns in the year 1928 have lighted their candles at the fires of their predecessors, though the flames they now display may not look much like the original fires."

Professor Grabo's book is palpably for the student and the writer of the novel. Its prose is unadorned and clear. The book is an attempt to solve the technical difficulties of the writer by a minute analysis of the great novels of the past. It has always been my impression that textbooks of this sort are avoided by the genuine writer and avidly read by the mere pedestrian, the fellow who writes for Breezy Stories, etc. The talented writer in his early years is a parasite, who consciously or unconsciously appropriates a writing technique through his reading of other writers.

J. P. L.

Reviews in Brief

ORIENTAL (L'Adventure De Threse Beauchamps). Translated from the French of Francis de Miomandre. Illustrated by Alexander Canedo. Brentano's. \$2.50.

In the sophisticated French man-

ner M. de Miomandre develops a theme embracing the preference of a downtrodden French bourgeois wife for the love of a Chinese Mandarin.

SON OF THE TYPHOON. By James W. Bennett. Duffield and Company. \$2.00.

The author of this novel has spent years in China in the Consular Service. His authority for writing of the political trouble in China as he does in Son of the Typhoon is consequently unquestioned.

HERE'S HOW AGAIN! By Judge Jr. The John Day Company. \$1.00.

In his inimitable manner, Judge Jr. outlines a host of hypothetical recipes for cocktail shaking. He dedicates his 1929 Edition of Here's How to the delicate art of drink mixing in the hope of renewing an interest in a lost art. In that way he hopes to do his bit toward alleviating the suffering of mankind both legislative and physical. "Is it any wonder," he inquires rhetorically, "that stomach specialists have reaped a harvest when they have not only poor liquors but atrocious mixers both working for them?"

EVA THE FIFTH. The Odyssey of a Tom Show in Three Acts. By Kenyon Nicholson and John Golden. Samuel French Inc. \$1.50.

In book form, Eva the Fifth is nearly as dramatic as it was on the stage as produced by John Golden and Edgar Selwyn. It has the background of hick opera house, troupe railway trains, fraternal halls. It concerns that branch of show folk who struggle in the provinces, whose lives, loves, manners and temperaments make up for contagious entertainment.

SPIES. By Joseph Gollomb. The Macmillan Company. \$2.50.

Mr. Gollomb's purpose here has been to present a series of the best stories he has been able to find in the history of espionage. In all these thrillingly told tales the richness of romance blends with the grip of reality so that one does not always know whether he is reading history or a good detective story.

YEARLING QUINTET OVERCOMES SOPHS

Frosh Turn Tables on Upper Classmen—N. Y. U. Frosh Next

Although the results of their season's campaign is by no means anything to grow hysterical about, the frosh basketball team at least showed that they are traveling in the right direction when they administered a defeat to the same sophomore aggregation which humbled them in their opening game of the season.

The yearlings put up no finished exhibition of court skill last Saturday, nor did they show any miraculous overnight rejuvenation, but they at least showed that the efforts of Roy Plaut during the season have not gone to naught. It is a far cry from the frosh team which took the event in their opening game to the present aggregation.

The yearlings, inexperienced for the most part, having shown a distinct forward progress in picking up the fundamentals of the Nat Holman system of basketball, and when try-outs are called next October, the frosh should present several leads for berths on the varsity squad.

In their engagement with the sophs, the yearlings took the lead at the outset and held it throughout the game. The final score, 15-10, resembled a baseball game more than a court contest, but this was due to the short duration of the halves, as well as the close guarding on both sides.

The yearlings have one game left on their schedule, that with the N. Y. U. cubs on March 9. The Violet frosh have not turned in a very impressive record thus far, and the Lavender yearlings ought to wind up their season with a victory.

Frosh Debaters to Meet N.Y.U. Team on Friday

The Freshman forensic squad will meet the Violet contingent on the topic, "Resolved: That the Present Jury System be Abolished," Friday night in room 409 of the Washington Square building at 8:15 P. M. Sidney Ment '32, Milton S. Mautner '32, and Harry Rosenfeld '32, recently chosen to represent the College will argue against the abolition of the system, while the Violet will present the affirmative of the discussion. This topic is the same as that, in which also maintaining the negative the Varsity, recently held the University of Pittsburgh to a draw.

Two more debates are at present on the yearling schedule. On March 15 the College engages in a dual debate with Rutgers and will encounter the Brooklyn Center squad on April 19. Dates with Columbia and Hunter College squads are pending.

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Further information may be obtained from Professor Downer of the French Department.

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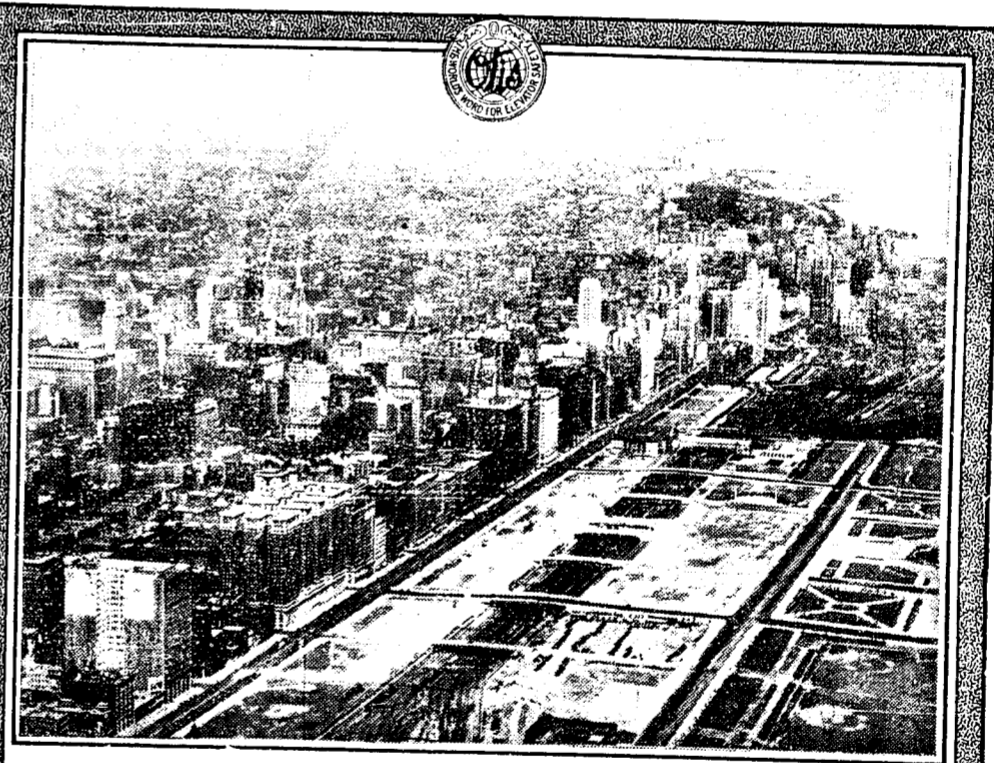
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Construction of Glass Counters
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Installation of two glass counters as enclosures for uncovered food marks the second development this term in the acquiescence of the Lunch Room management to the various amelioratory suggestions presented by The Campus and the Student and Faculty committee last semester.

The action comes as a sequel to the construction of a white enclosure last week to partition the lunch room from the adjoining kitchen, to remove the cause of offensive odors emanating into the student grill. The new glass coverings has succeeded in improving somewhat the general sanitary situation of the lunch room in this respect.

Fulfillment of the recommendation set forth by The Campus to reduce the price of milk is still apparently lacking. Concerning that matter Mr. Hammond remains non-committal. The various innovations in the Lunch Room situation that have taken place as a result of student effort last term are: the substitution of bottled Sheffield Grade-B milk for the "undesirable" loose milk; the introduction of a slightly larger tent sandwich; the retailing of loose ice cream and various drinks at the customary outside price of five-cents; and the coating of the formerly dark counters with a bright hue of durable white lacquer.

The campaign for the improvement of the Lunch Room situation was instituted by The Campus last term in its editorial and quizz columns.

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Alfred Kalbins, Latvian composer and former pupil of Professor Samuel A. Baldwin, and his brother John, present director of the opera at Riga, honored Professor Baldwin with the dedication of "Introduction and Allegro" by the former, and the presentation of a wreath at the 1212th public organ recital rendered by Professor Baldwin last Sunday in the Great Hall.

The presentation of the wreath was made after Professor Baldwin had concluded the selection amid a great outburst of approval from the crowded audience. Approximately four hundred people attended the bi-weekly recital.

Professor Baldwin will give his 1213th recital this afternoon at four o'clock in the Great Hall. The program consists of: "First Symphony, Opus 20, I. Allegro; II. Andante" by A. Maquaire; "The Legend of the Mountain" and "The Reed-grown Waters" by Sigfrid Karg-Elert; "Passacaglia" by Bach; "Meditation" and "Allegretto" by Katharine E. Luche; "Symphonic Poem: Orpheus" by Liszt; "Old Melodies" consisting of "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes," "Deep River," "Song of the Boatmen on the Volga," "Theme and Finale in A flat" by Ludwig Thiele.

ADVENT OF SPRING BREEZES POSTERS BASEBALL URGE

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Coach Parker should encounter no serious trouble in filling the outfield with all his regulars back again. In diminutive Phil Garelick, left fielder, and stocky Sid Liftin center fielder, Coach Parker has a pair of heavy hitting players who should materially bolster up the team's batting average. Joe Werk will probably cover right infield. However he will doubtless give way to Musicant when the latter is not on the mound so that the team may capitalize through the latter's slugging ability. Musicant led the College batters last year.

Charlie Munves, who showed considerable ability with the bat on the freshman team last year should be seriously considered when the outfield prospects are considered.

Eighteen games are listed on the current schedule, half of which will be held at the Stadium. Five games are carded with Metropolitan rivals, with the St. Francis, St. John's Manhattan, Fordham, and N. Y. U. nines to be met.

The complete schedule follows: March 30, St. Francis, at home; April 3, Cathedral, at home; April 6, St. John's, at home; April 10, Manhattan, at home; April 13, Providence, at Providence, R. I.; April 17, Stevens Tech, at home; April 20, Drexel Institute, at home; April 24, Upsala, at South Orange, N. J.; April 27, Rutgers, at New Brunswick, N. J.; May 1, Temple, at home; May 4, N. Y. A. C., at home; May 8, Lehigh, at Bethlehem, Pa.; May 11, Manhattan, at Manhattan; May 15, Fordham, at Manhattan; May 18, Trinity, at Hartford, Conn.; May 22, N. Y. U., at home; May 24, Clarkson Institute, at Potsdam, N. Y.; May 25, St. Lawrence, at Canton, N. Y.

CHEM SOCIETY TO MEET

There will be a joint meeting of the Baskerville Chemical Society and all of the engineering societies in Room 204 of the Chemistry building on Thursday at 12 M. At this meeting the performance of Anti-Knock Lead Tetra-Ethyl gasoline will be demonstrated with an automobile motor.

OFFICERS FOR TERM CHOSEN BY CLASSES

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President by a margin of fifty votes. Joseph Justman and Harry Rosenfield will run again to decide who is to be secretary. A similar situation exists between Henry Aaronson and Milton Cantor for Treasurer. Leon Calafiura was chosen Student Council representative. Elion Wisniasky ran uncontested as Athletic Manager.

June '32

Today's re-election between Manny Warschauer and Sidney Arm will decide the Presidency. Sid Ment was chosen Vice-President. M. Friedlander won the Secretaryship. Arthur Berger was elected Treasurer. Robert May secured the position of Student Council Representative. Three men are scheduled in the re-elections for Athletic Manager: Jack Baum, Sol Davison and Hy Ritchin.

In the cases where more than two candidates ran, elections were determined by a ten per cent plurality. Where this plurality has not been attained, the two highest candidates will appear on a second ballot for final election, to be held today in the concourse.

Commenting upon the decision to conduct the re-election of yesterday, Hal Cammer '29, president of the Student Council, asserted: "In the elections held on Wednesday, the 20th, because of an insufficient number of members on the Elections Committee it was impossible to cover all the rooms. In some of the rooms that were covered, also, there were many proven cases of plural voting on the part of some students because of careless and hurried distribution of the ballots.

"To insure fairness to all candidates a new election in which all possible precautions for honesty and fairness would be taken was determined upon.

"There were certain fundamental obstacles in the way of running the first election which were impossible for the chairman to cope with. With only six men reporting to distribute and tally three thousand ballots, an efficient election was impossible. But all safeguards have been taken for the second election and there can be no question as to the fairness of the results.

"In view of the complaints which were received, the ballots of the first election were disregarded and the re-election will be conducted with the flaws of past experiences corrected."

Members of the election committee for the present semester are: Lewis H. Bronstein '29, chairman; Jack W. Entin '29, assistant chairman; Leon Ehrlich '29, Morris Case '29, Jack Briskman '30, Harry Platnick '30, Abraham H. Raskin '31, Leo T. Goodman '31, Joseph Freedberg '32, and Aaron Burger '32.

Fresh elections which were postponed from last Thursday will be conducted tomorrow morning at nine o'clock in chapel. Excepting for the omission of the office of Student Councilor, the class of '33 elects the same officers as the remaining classes. The president of the freshman class, however, acts as the advisor in the council.

LAVENDER BASKETEERS OVERWHELM CATHOLIC

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kept his team within speaking distance with two goals but the count at half-time was 26-13 with the College going away all the time.

Spindell garnered his share of the spoils with two field throws in succession and the varsity skyrocketed the score up to 44-19 before acting coach Roy Plaut sent in the reserves. The second-stringers dazzled the C. U. men with the speed and deception of their passing attack, outscoring them, 11-2. With the third team in action, the Cardinals ran up four points before the Lavender closed scoring for the evening with three more tallies.

Frosh Track Coach Calls For Yearling Candidates

All Freshmen are requested to tryout for the yearling track team and to report for practice to Coach Tony Orlando as soon as possible. Practice is held daily between 12 and 1 P. M. at the Hygiene track, and Thursday between 12 and 2 P. M. Medical cards can be gotten from Prof. Williamson in the Hygiene building and should be filled out immediately.

BIOLOGY SOCIETY HEARS TALK ON PARATHYROID

The part that the parathyroid glands play in relation to tetany was explained by Abraham G. Cohen, a fellow in the Biology department, to the Biology Society at its Thursday meeting in Room 319. He explained that a proper administration of calcium salts controls tetany, a violent contraction of the body muscles resulting in death within four days; and that the parathyroids by maintaining a normal calcium level in the blood thus control this disease.

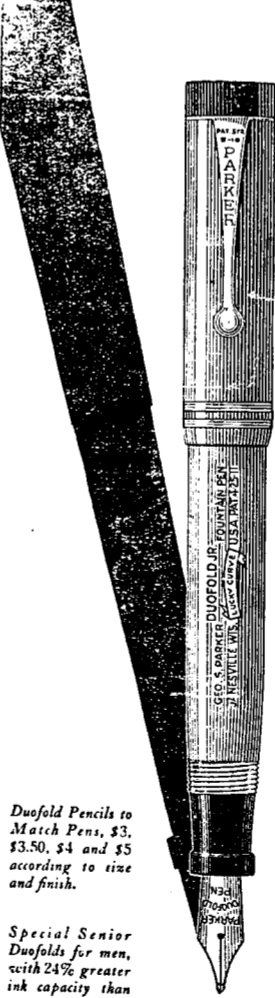
Mr. Cohen then discussed the Guadine Theory about tetany and showed that it was not acceptable because of much evidence against it and because the calcium theory presents a more plausible array of experiments. He spoke at length of the work of Dr. Collip of Alberta in preparing a hormone extracted from the gland which controls tetany. He then spoke of the applications of this experiment.

At the society's next meeting, Hyman E. Bass '29, will speak on the relation of chemical and physical means for the prevention of parathyroid tetany.

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Incoming freshmen will be feted and entertained by the Y. M. C. A. tomorrow evening in the Webb room at the mid-winter freshman dinner. A galaxy of speakers has been obtained for the occasion. Edward Stitt '14, will act as toastmaster and the Rev. Mark Wayne Williams, a prominent city churchman will talk on a relevant subject. Professor William B. Guthrie and Dean Redmond are expected to attend. Mr. Donald Roberts of the English department and an alumnus of the College will discuss the activities of "Y" alumni.

Jerry McMahon, captain of the baseball team, will acquaint the freshmen with athletic activities. Topping the program is a piano recital by Arthur Moor.

Tickets are at sale in the "Y" alcove at \$1 each. The entering freshmen who have already joined the "Y" may come without charge. The affair is scheduled to begin at 6 P. M.

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